

What is claimed is:

1. A local system of a multilingual rights data dictionary (RDD), for connecting to a central system having
5 a multilingual RDD registry, the local system comprising:

a local RDD registry for storing an RDD of a specific language; and

a processing means for parsing a rights term and interpreting the rights term by referring to the local RDD
10 registry,

wherein the processing means acquires rights term interpreting information based on the multilingual RDD registry by connecting to the central system when the rights term interpreting information does not exist in the
15 local RDD registry.

2. The local system as recited in claim 1, wherein the multilingual RDD registry includes:

a set of local RDDs of a specific language stored in a
20 plurality of local systems; and

a link for connecting the local RDDs logically,

wherein the rights term interpreting information is extracted based on the link.

25 3. The local system as recited in claim 1, wherein the processing means acquires the rights term interpreting information from the local RDD registry of another local system linked to the multilingual RDD registry.

30 4. A central system of a multilingual rights data dictionary (RDD), for connecting to a plurality of local systems, the central system comprising:

a multilingual RDD registry; and

a processing means for receiving a rights term from
35 the connected local system, extracting interpreting

information of the rights term based on the multilingual RDD registry and transmitting the interpreting information.

5 5. The central system as recited in claim 4, wherein the multilingual RDD registry includes:

 a set of local RDDs of a specific language stored in a plurality of local system; and

 a link for connecting the local RDDs logically,
 wherein the processing means extracts the rights term
10 interpreting information based on the link.

 6. A central system of a multilingual rights data dictionary (RDD), for connecting to a plurality of local systems, the central system comprising:

15 a multilingual RDD registry for including link information which logically connects local RDD registries maintained by the local systems; and

 a processing means for receiving a rights term from the connected local system and transmitting information
20 which is needed to interpret the rights term based on the multilingual RDD registry to the local system.

 7. A method for referring to a multilingual rights data dictionary (RDD) which acquires rights term
25 interpreting information by connecting to a central system having the multilingual RDD, the method comprising the steps of:

 a) receiving a rights term;

 b) parsing the rights term;

30 c) extracting interpreting information of the rights term from a local RDD registry storing an RDD of a specific language; and

 d) receiving the rights term interpreting information based on the multilingual RDD registry by connecting to the
35 central system when the rights term interpreting

information does not exist in the local RDD registry.

8. The method as recited in claim 7, wherein the multilingual RDD registry includes:

- 5 a set of local RDDs of specific languages stored in a plurality of local systems; and
 a link for connecting logically local RDDs,
 wherein the rights term interpreting information is extracted based on the link in the step d).

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9. The method as recited in claim 7, wherein the step d) includes the step of:

- acquiring the rights term interpreting information from the local RDD registry of another local system linked
15 to the multilingual RDD registry.

10. A method for referring to a multilingual rights data dictionary (RDD) in a central system having a multilingual RDD registry, the method comprising the steps
20 of:

- a) receiving a rights term from a local system having a local RDD registry; and
 b) extracting interpreting information of the rights term based on the multilingual RDD registry and
25 transmitting the rights term interpreting information to the local system.

11. The method as recited in claim 10, wherein the multilingual RDD registry includes:

- 30 a set of local RDDs of a specific language stored in the local systems; and
 a link for connecting the local RDDs logically,
 wherein the rights term interpreting information is extracted based on the link in the step b).

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